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FOR : UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON; NEA FOR ATHERTON FROM
AMBASSADOR

E.O.: 11652: N/A

TAGS: USSAEC, SA, US, APER

SUBJ: DIRECTOR FOR U.S. REPRESENTATION TO JOINT COMMISSION
OFFICE RIYADH

REF : STATE 130186

1. TREASURY HAS SELECTED ONE BRUCE MORGAN AS DIRECTOR
OF THE U.S. JOINT COMMISSION IN RIYADH. PARSKY SAYS
(REFTEL) THAT HE MET "SOME PEOPLE IN STATE, INCLUDING
MESSRS. BILLER AND SOBER, AND I BELIEVE THEY WERE WELL
IMPRESSED WITH HIM." I HAVE NOT HEARD FROM EITHER OF
THEM.

2. MORGAN'S CREDENTIALS LOOK SATISFACTORY AND I HAVE NO
REASON TO OBJECT TO HIM. I DO, HOWEVER, STRONGLY URGE
THAT YOU BOTH INTERVIEW HIM TO DETERMINE

A) WHETHER HE IS LIKELY TO GET ALONG WITH THE ARABS;

B) HOW MUCH HE UNDERSTANDS ABOUT ECONOMICS AND THE PROBLEMS
OF THE UNDERDEVELOPED WORLD.

PERHAPS YOU COULD ASK MESSRS. BILLER AND SOBER THEIR
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OPINION. I ASSUME THAT IT HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE CLEAR TO

MORGAN THAT HIS POSITION IS SUBORDINATE TO THE EMBASSY AND
THAT HE DOES NOT HAVE ANY ILLUSIONS ABOUT RUNNING AN
INDEPENDENT SHOW.

3. AS YOU KNOW, I WOULD HAVE GREATLY PREFERRED THAT THE JOB
BE FILLED BY A GOOD CAREER FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER BUT AS
THAT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE, I HOPE MORGAN CORRESPONDS AS
CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE TO THE IDEAL.

4. IF YOU FIND MORGAN SATISFACTORY, PLEASE INFORM PARSKY
THAT I HAVE AGREED TO THE APPOINTMENT.
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